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Citation BB is discussed on page 2, lines 30-35 of the specification. Citation AB is a US counterpart of DE-A 2105017 (not provided) mentioned on page 2, line 38 of the specification. Citation BA is mentioned on page 2, lines 35-36 of the specification. Citation AA is mentioned on page 2, line 39 of the specification. Citation CA is mentioned on page 1, line 15 of the specification. Citation BC is discussed at page 1, line 38 to page 2, line 3 of the specification. Citation BD is discussed on page 2, lines 18-25 of the specification.

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